

ANTI-DREYFUSARDS DEMAND HEARING

Want Mme. Steinhil's
Relation to Faure's
Death Revealed.

STATE'S CASE IS FAST WEAKENING

Rumored That Trial May Be
Abandoned and New Investigation
Ordered—Maurice Wolf,
Cook, Denies All She Might
Tell Against the
Prisoner.

PARIS, November 10.—The testimony to-day in the trial of Mme. Steinhil, charged with the murder of her husband and her stepmother, was distinctly favorable to the defendant. Mariette Wolf, the cook in the Steinhil household, and her son, Alexandre, whose appearance was awaited with profound interest, threw no new light on the mystery, but by a further mass of contradictions strengthened the impression in the accused's favor. Mme. Steinhil's nurse also retracted her previous deposition, in which she expressed the opinion that the defendant's illness after the crime was simulated, and Maurice Borel, a wealthy merchant, whom the state accuses Mme. Steinhil desired to marry, testified to his absolute belief in her innocence.

The state's circumstantial case against Mme. Steinhil seems to be rapidly breaking down, and it is already rumored that the trial will be abandoned and a new investigation ordered. Anti-Dreyfus papers, like the Libre Parole and the Patrie, have again begun to revamp their previous insinuations that the crime involved a political plot for the destruction of evidence regarding the death of ex-President Felix Faure, which the anti-Dreyfusards never have ceased to claim was due to foul play, because, as they alleged, M. Faure opened the revision of the Dreyfus case.

No Bearing on Case.
Louis Anthoine Gregori, who shot Major Dreyfus at the canalization of Maja in the Pantheon in 1908, has written an open letter to M. de Valles, the presiding judge, demanding that he be heard of the subject of the death of the former President, and the anti-Dreyfusards seek to give color to their insinuations by emphasizing the fact that Gregori, which Mme. Steinhil repeatedly made in open court to reveal her relations with prominent men in every walk of life it driven to bay. Judge de Valles, however, evidently assumes that former intrigues have no bearing on the case, and twice has practically denied her to draw in whatever scandal and names she pleased. "You may name whom you will," he has said to her.

With Mariette Wolf as a witness it is generally believed that the pivotal point has been reached in the famous murder case. It was whispered around the courtroom that she might be arrested at any moment.

When she entered the room there were audible murmurs of, "What a face!" And truly she presented a repellant look.

Although her age is given as fifty, she looks at least sixty. She has beady, cunning eyes, which gave evidence of her perfect confidence in herself. When she speaks it is in decisive tones.

Mme. Steinhil shows the results of the week's strain. The skin under her chin is loose, the curve of her nostrils is deeply lined and her nose seems sharper.

The embargo against women being allowed in the courtroom has apparently been raised. There were nearly as many women as men in the room when the trial was resumed this morning.

Favorable to Prisoner.
Mariette's evidence at the start was most favorable to the prisoner. She said that Mme. Steinhil knew her (Mariette's) children well, but her son Alexandre least of all, although she used "thee" and "thou"—the French form of intimacy—in speaking to him.

Mariette said she received 60 francs per month as wages. Her work was not hard because Mme. Steinhil did much of it. Mariette seemed inclined to tone down her previous statement that Mme. Steinhil was as strong as herself.

She said only three men came to Verlogis while they were there—Chouard and Belincoeur once, and Borel.

Judge Valles pointedly asked: "Didn't Alexandre Wolf come?"

Mariette replied: "Yes, like he did to the Impasse Ronsin."

"Didn't Mme. Steinhil a special liking for him?" asked the court.

"No more than for my other children."

"She kissed him often, didn't she?" "Like she did the others, and me—on New Year Day."

Mariette gave a new explanation here of Mme. Steinhil's words to her not long after the crime. Those words were:

"At last I am free."

Mariette explained that they referred to Mme. Steinhil's being now free from the nurse who had been attending her.

"But," interrupted Judge Valles,

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"these words were not so interpreted at the preliminary inquiries."

Mme. Steinhil protests.

This gave Mme. Steinhil another opportunity for a protest. She inveighed against the methods of Magistrate Andre, and asked:

"Why should words be interpreted? Why not solely try to seek the truth?"

Mariette was apologetic when questioned about her employer's habits. She said:

"A domestic should see everything, but say nothing."

Mme. Steinhil, she said, sent her to Verlogis for a little closed box. Judge Valles asked her what this box contained. To this Mariette replied that servants should never know what is in closed parcels.

Mariette testified that M. Steinhil adored his wife. When asked if the prisoner loved her mother, Mariette replied:

"Mme. Japy was always well received."

"Then," queried Judge Valles, "why this remark which is attributed to Mme. Steinhil. Here's mother again."

"That is to say like anything else might be," replied Mariette vaguely.

Mariette was frequently unable to remember points on which she had been questioned. She had evidently tried to put her mind to deny everything that did not suit her, and she did it in categorical fashion.

She said to Judge Valles: "I will deny everything." And she proceeded to do so.

Denies Intent of Suicide.
She denied the intention of committing suicide, attributed to her by the Chabriers, who testified yesterday.

She declared at that time she was ignorant that Mme. Steinhil had committed the murders. She learned that later on at detective headquarters, and called Mme. Steinhil a liar.

Nevertheless, she kissed her the same day, because Mme. Steinhil had then recovered her normal state.

Mariette denied statements that have been made that she was in the habit of presenting bills to Mme. Steinhil's lovers at Verlogis.

Mariette, Darby, the journalist, M. Chabrier and Mme. Chabrier were then brought face to face. The newspaperman and the Chabriers testified yesterday and told stories differing from Mariette's tale this morning.

They maintained the truth of their statements. The former cook in the

Steinhil house also insisted she was telling the truth.

Before this confrontation of witnesses Mme. Steinhil, addressing Mariette in a low voice, asked her pardon for the accusations she had made against Mariette's son, saying they had been made under suggestions from the police.

A sensation was caused by the judge asking Mariette if she had not noticed how the corpses had been strangled, for it had been proved that the knot was such as a sailor or a horse groom uses.

"You," said Judge Valles, "are a cab driver's widow; your son is a groom." Mariette said she was so agitated at the time she could not look at the corpses.

Cook's Accused Son Called.
Alexander Wolf was then called. He testified that Mme. Steinhil used "thee" and "thou" to him occasionally, and kissed him only a year.

The judge then recalled the confrontation of Mme. Steinhil and Alexander Wolf after she had accused him of the crime. Wolf said:

"I laughed at her and said insulting things which I now regret."

Judge Valles then carefully recalled all Mme. Steinhil's accusations; how Wolf tried to possess her; how she resisted; how he murdered the victims and simulated the burglary; and how Mme. Steinhil now says it was the journalists who suggested all this.

Wolf replied:

"I would like to know who said I had money the day after the crime."

Mme. Prevost, who lent Mme. Steinhil her name when the latter hired Verlogis's cottage, testified that she believed in the existence of "Aunt Lily." M. Steinhil passed as Mme. Steinhil's brother at Verlogis, while the daughter Martha was called Miss Prevost.

Maurice Borel, one of Mme. Steinhil's friends, repeated what he had said in interviews, that he had seen Mme. Steinhil five or six times. He had always made it clear to her that he could not possibly marry her after a scene with his son, determined to break with her.

Borel said he was surprised at Mme. Steinhil's great liberty, and so expressed himself. Mme. Steinhil told him she was on her best behavior, and would have been divorced long before only that her daughter might suffer through the scandal.

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA., November 10.—State-wide prohibition, and the controversy over the Randolph-Macon-Carnegie foundation matter are the all-absorbing questions before the annual conference of the Virginia Anti-Saloon League, which convened in annual session at the Trinity Church here this morning.

Influential delegates declare that it is a foregone conclusion that the conference will adopt a resolution declaring that the time is ripe for State-wide prohibition and calling upon the Anti-Saloon League to begin a campaign in favor of legislation closing the saloons.

Randolph-Macon Matter.
As to what will be done in regard to the Randolph-Macon controversy, no one seems to be able to predict.

"I am afraid we will have trouble over it before we are through," is about as far as any of the delegates will go in discussing the matter.

Dr. James Cannon, Jr., chairman of the committee appointed to confer with the trustees of Randolph-Macon College, submitted lengthy report this morning. Accompanying the report was a resolution setting forth the action of the trustees in voting to allow the members of the board and providing that the conference contribution to the support of the college be increased to \$8,000.

The resolution stipulated, however, that if the trustees should at any future time rescind the resolution in question, then all money which may be contributed by the conference shall be returned.

Immediately after the reading of this report, John P. Pettyjohn, of Lynchburg, one of the most influential laymen in the conference, and a member of the Randolph-Macon board of trustees, presented a statement, signed by nine trustees, objecting to Dr. Cannon's reference in the Christian Advocate to the resolution of the board as a "gentlemen's agreement," saying that they have not agreed to do anything under "no-calls, gentlemen's agreement" that they may not openly and lawfully do as trustees, and that they will not be bound by the resolution passed on June 8, if the action

required by that resolution be not consistent with their understanding of their oaths of office.

Those who signed the statement were: John P. Pettyjohn, E. F. Shoffey, W. W. Wood, J. D. Dwyer, Earl Bush, Charles W. Pettit, E. M. Newman, R. B. Davis and F. H. Chalmers.

Will Be Considered To-day.
The report and statement will be considered to-morrow morning. Friday is the date set for disposing of the temperance question.

There are about 300 delegates from all parts of the State attending the conference, which will be in session six days.

To-day routine reports were received and committees appointed, after a brief opening service, conducted by Bishop Morrison, who is presiding.

Committee meetings were held this morning, and a large, interesting lecture by Rev. Gross Alexander, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn. To-night Rev. R. H. Potts, of Richmond, preached the conference sermon, the presence of a large congregation.

FOR NEGRO BOY'S DEATH.
Man and Woman of Albemarle County Held Responsible.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., November 10.—In the Circuit Court to-day the coroner's jury returned a verdict to the effect that Singlee Mansfield, the little negro boy who was shot at Mechem's River, this county, last Tuesday, came to his death at the hands of Everett Goodwin, aided and abetted by Miss Maud Watts.

Numerous witnesses were examined, and frequent conflicting statements were made of the shooting. The jury, however, found from the evidence that Goodwin and Miss Watts were firing a rifle in the road at or near the time of the tragedy and at the place, Miss Watts testified that she and Goodwin were firing at a line of young Goodwins, near which the killing occurred.

A warrant was issued for the arrest of Goodwin and the detention of Miss Watts as an accessory. Goodwin is a son of a well-known farmer, John Goodwin, and is employed by the fireman on the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway. Miss Watts has recently come to this county, her father having purchased the home place of young Goodwin, near which the killing occurred.

Peanut Growers Elect.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SURREY, VA., November 10.—At a meeting of the Peanut Growers' Association of Virginia, held at Dendron, this county, yesterday, it being the first annual meeting since its organization, the officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Dr. R. Lee Seward, of Isle of Wight; Vice-presidents, Mr. Land, of Isle of Wight; Mr. Lee, of Disputanta; Mr. Bain, of Wakefield, and Dr. W. W. Seward, of Surrey; Secretary, Ben Jones, of Spotsylvania, and Treasurer, Jerry Whitely, of Isle of Wight. Board of Directors: Thos. Temple, of Prince George; T. J. Seward, of Smithfield; C. H. Gwathmey, of Hargrave.

The object of the organization is to market the peanut crop and better farming conditions.

WILL TELL INSIDE STORY OF THEFT

Mrs. Stewart, Accused by War-riner, Promises to Hide Nothing.

ACCUSED MAN PENNILESS

Defaulting Railroad Cashier Betrayed to Officials by Woman.

CINCINNATI, O., November 10.—Mrs. Jeanette Stewart, also known as Mrs. Ford, one of the women accused by Charles L. Warriner, defaulting local treasurer of the Big Four Railroad, of having shared in his speculations by blackmailing him, declared to-night she would tell the whole inside story of the \$543,000 theft when the case came to court. Mrs. Stewart denied she had ever received money from Warriner.

The sudden breaking of her silence was caused, according to her, by a quarrel which she had with another woman, who has also been mentioned by Warriner. This quarrel resulted in the attachment of Mrs. Stewart's furniture to-day. The officers who made the attachment were quickly followed by reporters; and, in the stress of excitement, Mrs. Stewart's reserve broke down.

"I never received a cent from Charles Warriner," she said, "and I never gave any information to the railroad about his shortage. It was another woman that did it all; a woman I thought was my friend. I know the whole story, and I will tell it in court, too."

One of the women said to be involved in the case, started to leave Cincinnati, but was advised by detectives that if she left the city her arrest would follow. She then abandoned the plan.

At present the question that is exercising the railroad officials is: What became of the \$543,000 which Warriner admits having stolen?

Warriner says he lost it in stock speculation, and in satisfying the demands of blackmailers, but that explanation is not satisfactory to the officials.

Warriner says he is penniless, and his neighbors at his home in Wyoming, O., declare that he is a sick man.

It is admitted by railroad officers that Warriner might have continued his speculation indefinitely if he had not been betrayed by a woman, so great was his superiors' confidence in him.

THANKS OF VIRGINIA PRESS ASSOCIATION
Whereas, being desirous of expressing our high appreciation of the cordial hospitality and courtesies extended to the Virginia Press Association on the occasion of its special meeting, held in Richmond this week; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of the association are especially due, and are hereby tendered, to President Alfred B. Williams, of the association, for the able and courteous manner with which he has presided over our meetings, and

for his untiring and successful efforts in providing for our comfort, entertainment and transportation on this occasion; to Secretary J. L. Hart for the efficient manner in which he has discharged his duties; to the city of Richmond, through its Chamber of Commerce, for the most excellent and sumptuous luncheon served at the Westmoreland Club, and for the automobile rides to points of interest in the city; to the management of Murphy's Hotel for the use of its parlors and assembly rooms; to the American Type Founders Company, through E. C. Pelouze, for the prize offered to stimulate our membership; to his excellency, Claude A. Swanson, for his able, helpful and eloquent address; to Mayor D. C. Richardson for his cordial and happy greetings on behalf of the city; to Polk Miller for his delightful entertainment; to the railroads for courtesies, and to all others who contributed to the pleasure and success of our meeting, which has been one of the most pleasant and successful in the history of the association.

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BLACKSBURG, VA., November 10.—Rev. David Junius Woods, for the last twelve years pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Blacksburg and the senior chaplain of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, has notified his congregation that he resigns at 1 P. M. to-day, with complete directions for home treatment.

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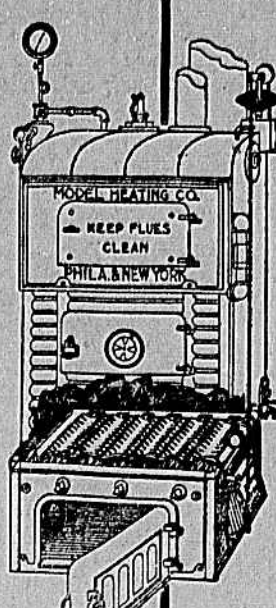
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are being looked after by District Attorney Thomas Lee Moore. A number of other revenue fraud cases are to come up, and it is believed the session of the court will be a lengthy one. Quite a number of government officials are in attendance.

Blows Top of Head Off.
A. H. Bragg, a Farmer of Year Dur-ham, Commits Suicide.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DURHAM, N. C., November 10.—A. H. Bragg, a farmer living at Ellwood, twelve miles from this city, committed suicide this morning about 10 o'clock by blowing off the top of his head with a shot gun, borrowed from a negro. He was found in a stretch of woods a short distance from his house.

He was fifty-eight years of age, and the father of Edgar E. Bragg, a school teacher at Durham. He had been in ill health for some time, and it is thought he brooded over this, as there was no other human cause. He leaves a wife and four sons.

HIS THIRD REPRIEVE.
North Carolina Electric Chair Still Not Ready, and Negro Must Wait.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
RALEIGH, N. C., November 10.—Governor Kitchin to-day granted a third reprieve to Walter Morrison, the negro under sentence from Robeson county for criminal assault, and destined to be the first victim of the electric chair in North Carolina. Each of the three postponements of the execution has been on account of delay in completing the electric equipment of the death chamber in the penitentiary. The reprieve this time is November 12 to January 15.

Dr. Johnson May Leave.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CHARLOTTEVILLE, VA., November 10.—At the meeting of the official board of the First Methodist Church, held last night, the pastor, Rev. Henry C. Johnson, D. D., made the statement that he felt that the work of this charge was rather heavy for him, and that he was his intention to ask Bishop Morrison for an assignment with lighter work. Dr. Johnson has had a highly successful year here, and as members of his congregation regret very much to learn of his decision to retire from the work at this point, Dr. Johnson is regarded as one of the very ablest ministers in the Virginia Conference.

Lexington Presbytery.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
STAUNTON, VA., November 10.—Lexington Presbytery met and adjourned at the First Presbyterian Church to-day. Rev. C. B. Ratford was received from a North Carolina presbytery and authorized to accept the call to Mt. Horeb Church, in Augusta county.

Rev. W. E. Hudson, of Kanawha Presbytery, was nominated for trustee for Davis and Elkins College, and Dr. A. M. Frazier, of Staunton, was released from serving on the Davis and Elkins board.

Presbytery adjourned to meet in the same place at 11 A. M. November 18.

Negro Accidentally Killed.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
MONTICELLO, VA., November 10.—Ep. Anderson, colored, of Nokesville, this county, was accidentally shot and killed here this afternoon by Wesley Nickens, a negro boy.

Nickens had been hunting, and he and Anderson were in a dark restaurant when the accident occurred. The entire load from a single-barrel gun

entered Anderson's neck, killing him instantly.

Vinle Pugh Out on Bail.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
SUFFOLK, VA., November 10.—Vinle Pugh, colored, accused of murdering her four-year-old daughter, Mamie, at Myrtle, whose body was exhumed after two days, to-day was released under \$500 bond, with P. O. Camp, of Franklin, as surety. Her husband, William Pugh, accused jointly of the murder, is still held in Suffolk jail.

Charles T. Kents.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch